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INTRODUCTION

MODULES is a publication designed for use in teacher education. The reference to career path training modules is used as an example rather than a focus of interest.

The teacher in training can make an impact upon curriculum by changing specific attitudes and behaviors. In other words, if career path training modules are seen as valuable, it is expected that the teachers' performance and behavior will be favorably influenced.

The same is true about the basic difference between a module builder and a course chopper.

The term module builder is used in a favorable context. The term course chopper is used in an unfavorable context.

The module builder prespecifies objectives, diagnostic pretesting, learning environments, and mastery posttesting in order to make sure that individuals receive learnable packages of self-instruction.

The course chopper is more interested in the external form of a module than in the opportunity for individualization.

As a matter of practical fact, most teachers consider themselves to be module builders. Most teachers would not deliberately go after the role of course chopper as herein defined.

Operationally, some teachers who consider themselves to be module builders are in reality course choppers when objective criteria are applied.

In order to help apply these objective criteria, page 1 gives a short pretest that the reader can use to self-evaluate. As a result of this pretest, the reader will have objective criteria which to classify oneself as either a MODULE BUILDER or as a COURSE CHOPPER.



It is not anticipated that any reader of this text will automatically be classified as either a module builder or a course chopper 100%.

It is presumed that each reader will have various qualities required of a module builder and will have various drawbacks that characterize the course chopper.

The transparencies in this collection provide a step-by-step ladder upward from the lowest rank of course chopping to the highest possible level of module building.

In order to facilitate the use of this document, the ANALYTICAL TABLE OF CONTENTS found on page 4 is provided to show both the title of the transparency and the function.

In order to make maximum usage of this publication, the reader is requested to look at this introduction and then try out the pretest.

After exposure to the pretest, the reader is asked to look at the analytical table of contents for transparency masters.

After identifying an appropriate title for a transparency, the reader should look at the function of the transparency in order to realize how this can be used to motivate teachers to develop appropriate career path training modules.

INTRODUCTION

DEVELOPING OCCUPATIONAL EDUCATION MODULES THAT CAN ADD UP TO CAREERS

This document is addressed to educators who have developed module learning packets for students. A module learning packet is composed of four elements:

Specific Objectives
Diagnostic Pretests
Alternative Learning Environments
Mastery Posttests

From an external point of view, any teacher who is able to subdivide material into four separate piles with the above four names is able to put together a package that resembles a module. Such teachers who put together a variety of categorized but uncorrelated material are termed course choppers. A course chopper is able to imitate the external requirements of a module by providing objectives, pretests, learning environments, and posttests.

A module builder goes a step forward. The module builder thinks of course objectives as entry level job requirements. These objectives are on the mastery level.

Students coming into the course are given diagnostic pretests in order to determine which objectives of the module have been successfully attained previously. Similarly, basic prerequisites for the module are diagnosed for certification purposes. If the student lacks a prerequisite, the diagnostic pretest points to a weakness that should be corrected before the module is attempted.

Learning alternatives provide a variety of choices for individual students. Rather than be told of the only way to achieve a prespecified objective, each learner is given a wide choice of alternatives. If aptitude is defined as speed in learning, the alternatives must provide for a wide variety of learning rates and speeds. If learning style is defined as a wide variety of alternative paths, each module must provide for a wide variety of learning styles.

After the objectives have been accepted by the students, after the student has had a chance for a diagnostic assessment with a pretest, and after exposure to sufficient learning alternatives, it is time to present the student with a mastery posttest. This mastery posttest is necessary to determine the learner's gains score. The gains score is the difference between the pretest and the posttest. The gains score is the impact made upon the learner by the module. The gains score is a documentation that some learning has occurred in the learner.

OBJECTIVES

As a result of this module entitled, DEVELOPING OCCUPATIONAL EDUCATION MODULES THAT CAN ADD UP TO CAREERS, teachers and learners alike should be able to:

COMMUNICATE on a level of practicality that enables occupational programs to stress CAREER PATH PROGRESS.

FOCUS on evaluating achievement of goals and of commitment to goals.

EMPHASIZE results, not personalities.

DISCOVER a realistic scheme for job improvement and personal growth.

As a result of going through this module, both teachers and learners alike should be able to:

DEVELOP objectives personally acceptable to individuals concerned.

STRESS measurable objectives that are visably evaluated.

DEVISE objectives that provide interesting and worthwhile tasks.

ATTAIN the objective desired within a reasonable period of time.

DISTINGUISH between short-run and long-run goals and objectives.

STATE the objective clearly and simply in such a way as to be easily communicated when needed.

CONCENTRATE on objectives that are both qualitative and quantitative expressions of valid human needs for a variety of career paths.



PRETEST

Some module builders commit a fundamental error. They build modules as they built their courses only smaller. Then, one day, they discover that these modules aren't much different than their former approach to instruction. Instead of concluding, "I didn't do anything very much different than usual," they conclude, "Modules don't work. They're no better than what I have been doing previously."

Try to answer these questions in order to find out if you are a module builder or a "course chopper." Answer with YES or NO.

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, 1.	No student should be allowed into a particular module
•	until this student has demonstrated the basic prerequisite
	skills or equivalent academic credit.
2.	Learners are ill-advised to take a course in an area outside
	their specialty or major area of concentration.
3.	Letting students take a course for only a few weeks is a good-
	way to permenently stunt their educational growth potential.
4.	Learners should not be allowed to "pick and choose" only those

5. Slow learners should be given special help, but, if they are really too slow (i.e. SLOWER THAN THE GROUP AVERAGE), they should be taken aside and quietly told to drop the course.

segments of a course that interest them.

6. Rather than embarrass anyone with expulsion from an overly advanced or specialized course or mini-course, slower learners should be gently but firmly told that they have no place in a particular module.



- 7. Whenever a learner has to study the same material over and over again, this should be seen as an opportunity for greater depth rather than dull repetition.
- 8. Once students know exactly what is expected of them in the final exam, they will tend to avoid studying those "extras" that are so necessary for graduate study even though they don't appear on the final exam.
- 9. Every student should be compelled to enroll in at least one course in their college career for which they have no occupational need or interest. This gives them a basic introduction to mental discipline which will be invaluable to them in almost any career

Not all of the above statements are completely out of place in curriculum planning. However, each question to which you have answered YES marks you as a "course chopper." Each question to which you have answered NO marks you as a module builder. Each question which you have left blank or undecided pinpoint areas in which you might want to seek out more data and more perspectives.

There is nothing pejorative in being a course chopper. However, it is not the same thing as being a module developer. After a few experiments and a few errors that don't succeed as modules, many course choppers find by trial and error a few simple guidelines. These self-discovered guidelines are enough to transform most course choppers into effective module builders.

Chopped up courses don't add up to careers. Modules, like any good building block that is self-standing and compatible with other skills, do add up to careers--and often, in unpredictable combinations.



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NON-ACADEMIC

DIMENSIONS

<u>of</u>

CAREER EDUCATION

The central non-academic dimension of career education is the apparent difficulty of creating, for a very rapidly growing labor force, not just jobs, but satisfying jobs that 'll provide the increases in living standards that a e expected by the population as a whole and by an increasingly youthful labor force that is better educated, better trained, and more socially aware than ever before.

The need to create <u>more jobs</u>, <u>and better jobs</u>, implies a need to develop the capability of producing more specialized and sophisticated goods and services for sale in an international market, and this, in a more aggressively competitive world.



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ANALYTICAL TABLE OF CONTENTS

for

TRANSPARENCY MASTERS

FUNCTION

INTRODUCTION

PRODUCTIVITY

Encourage teachers to make an impact. on learners under their influence

ACCOUNTABILITY

Pinpoint specific practices that indicate a lack of basic knowledges and understandings necessary to implemente occupational education successfully

ALTERNATIVES

Document effective alternatives to some of the most commonly occurring

errors in career planning

CAREER EDUCATION and OCCUPATIONAL EDUCATION

A PRACTICAL APPROACH TO LEARNING

ITS COMPONENTS

Work together with other D. A PATTERN, NOT A GIMMICK educators rather than start a new specialty

E. OCC. EDUC. = LEARN Learn (a) how to learn and (b) how to earn

Teach to objectives that go BEYOND ROTE MEMORY beyond memorization and that are occupationally relevant

1st SIX CAREER STEPS Allow learner to keep all. possible options open

LEARN TO EARN Recognize the requirements of today's labor market



ITS CONCERNS

I. 4 LEARNER TRAITS

<u>Implement</u> learning procedures that will do more than inform learners

J. THE "AGGRESSIVE" LEARNER Specify learnable targets, tests, and technology that allow for individual.

differences in Farning styles

K. MASTERY LEARNING Attain complex goals that go far

beyond the basic skills

L. COMPLEX LEARNINGS Build upon previous learnings and

the basic skills to come up with a

high quality learning product

ITS FUTURE

M. FORESEEABLE / UNFORESEEABLE Prepare for (a) jobs which exist,

(b) emerging jobs, and (c) jobs

of the future

N. CAREER EDUC. CHECKPOINTS Structure each step into a

continuing process

III. MODULES THAT CAN ADD UP TO CAREERS

MODULE COMPONENTS (The 3 T's)

TARGETS

O. ELIMINATE FUZZY EDUC. Pursue purposeful goals whether these

goals be preparation for future education, preparation for employment;

or both

P. VISIBLE GOALS. Visualize the outcomes of instruction.

and of learning

Q. TEACHER EFFORT Think before writing in order to

establish priorities



TESTS

R. SELF-EVALUATION

Keep score in such a way as to be aware of progress and needs for

appropriate action-

S. EASY-TO-EVALUATE

Simplify the evaluation process without lessening validity or

practical reliability

TECHNOLOGY

T. EDUC. TECHNOLOGY

Plan ahead to specify what technology can do, will be able to do, and can't do in the foreseeable future

U. BEYOND MASS PRODUCTION

Employ technology in such a way as to stress individualization more than stereotyping

TYPICAL MODULE APPLICATIONS

V. MODULE CAFETERIA

Choose from a wide variety of acceptable and implementable alternatives.

W. PERSONALIZED MODULES

Customize your course goals to fit
(a) learners and (b) the state of
the job market

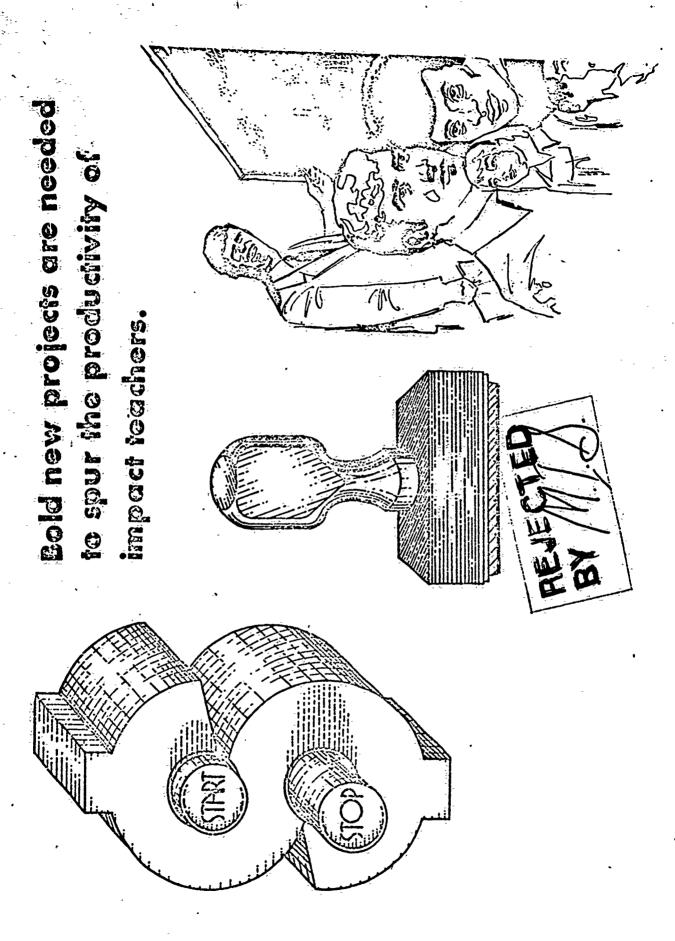
X. MODULES AS BUILDING BLOCKS

Assemble a wide variety of career possibilities with modules mastered

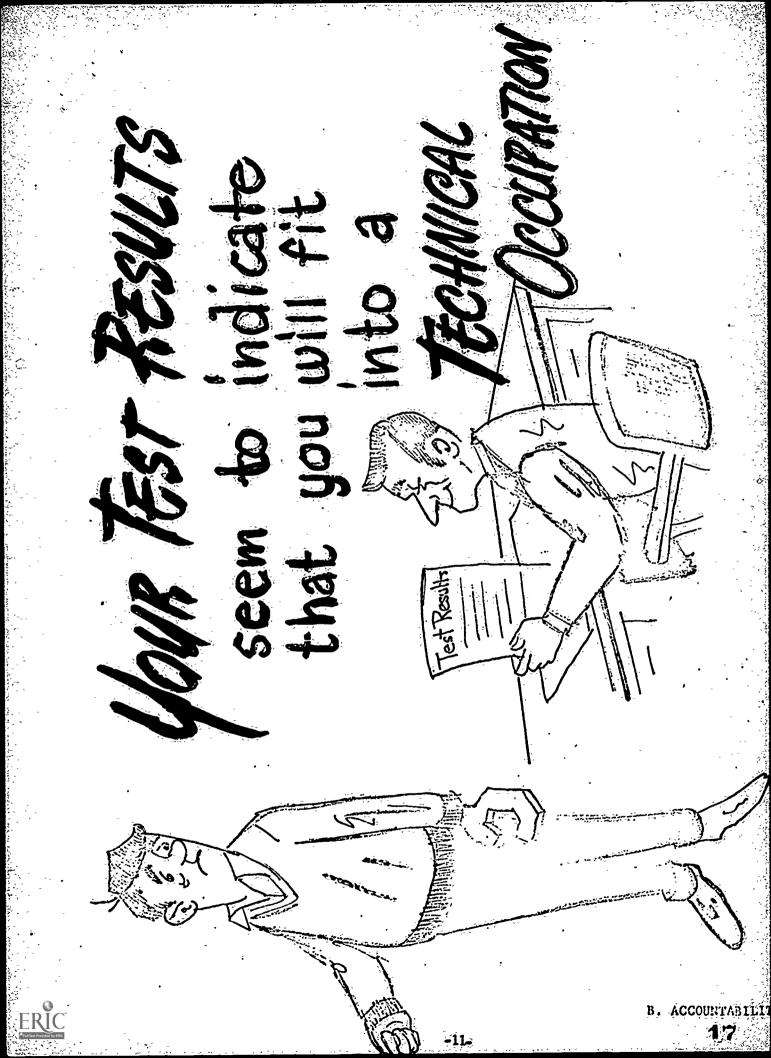
Y. MODULES FOR BALANCED DIETS

Coordinate objectives (TARGETS), evaluation (TESTS), and resources (TECH-NOLOGY) with knowledge (COGNITIVE) performance (PSYCHOMOTOR), and attitud (AFFECTIVE) domains.









Consider the affernatives before you upgrade

True, there are often good reasons why switching to the latest system makes sense, but all other options should be carefully examined before making the decision.

PLANNING AHEAD

FOR THE WORLD OF WORK







CAREER EDUCATION

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AN EDUCATIONAL PATTERN

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EDUCATORS MUST WORK
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FOR THE SAKE OF:

- O OBDERLY DEVELOPMENT
- O HIGH IMPACT
- © ECONOMY

IS NOT

JUST ANOTHER GIMMICK

THIS MEANS

EDUCATORS MUST NOT MERELY LOOK FOR:

- O"NEW" PROGRAMS O CAREER CURRICULA
- MOREMONEY

CAREER SPECIALISTS

- DIFFERENT TEXTS . CAREER TESTS
- o cantern schools
- CAREER DEGREES
- O CAREER MEDIA



LEARN TO EARN:

EDUCATIONAL EDUCATION FUNCTIONS AS A MEANS FOR LEARNING TRE ARTS AND SCIENCES IN REAL LIFE SITUATIONS. LIKE CAREER EDUCATION
IT IS A SOURCE
OF OTHER FORMS
OF LEARNENG AND
A MOTIVATION FOR
THESE OTHER WAYS
TO LEARN.

GCCUPATIONAL EDUCATION IS NOT A SUBSTITUTE FOR THEM.

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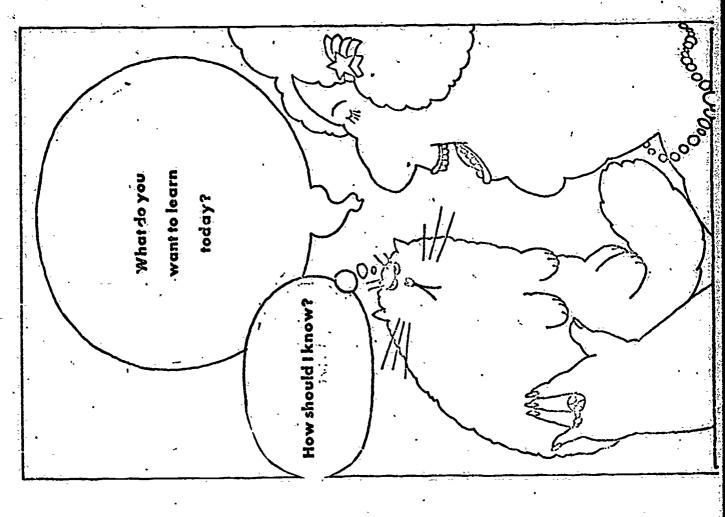
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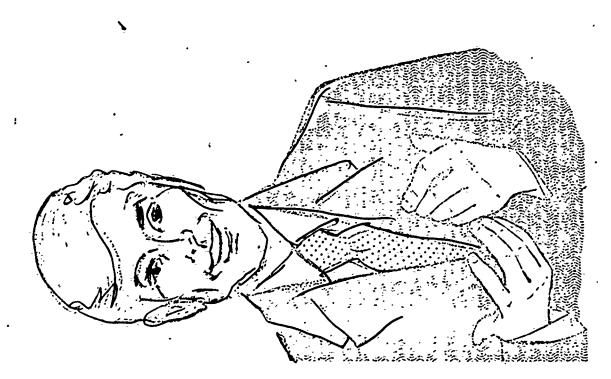
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CAREER EDUCATION CONCERNS

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CONCERN OVER FUTURE CHOICES (RESPONEIRE LEARNER)

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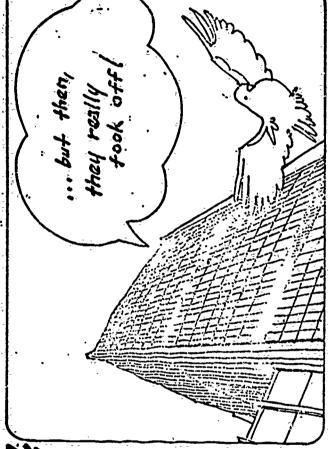
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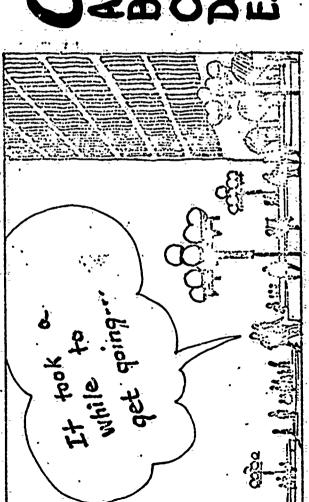
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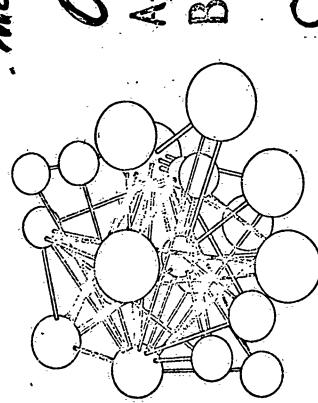
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D. STACKWITTHE BASICS
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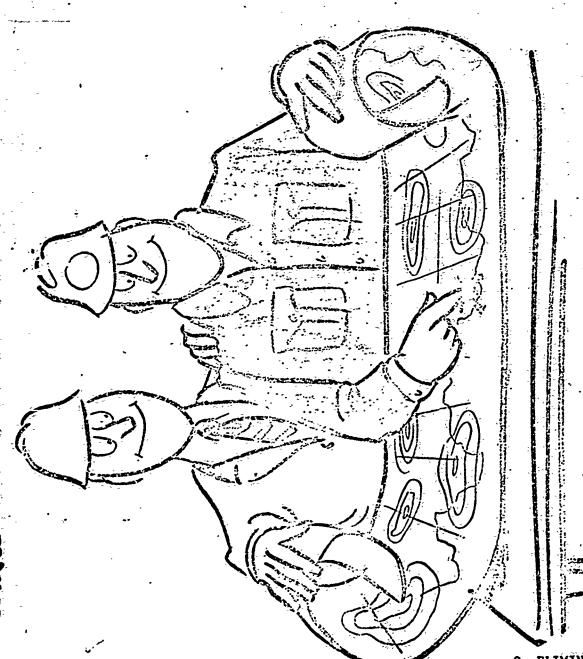
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N. CAREER ED. CHECKPOINT

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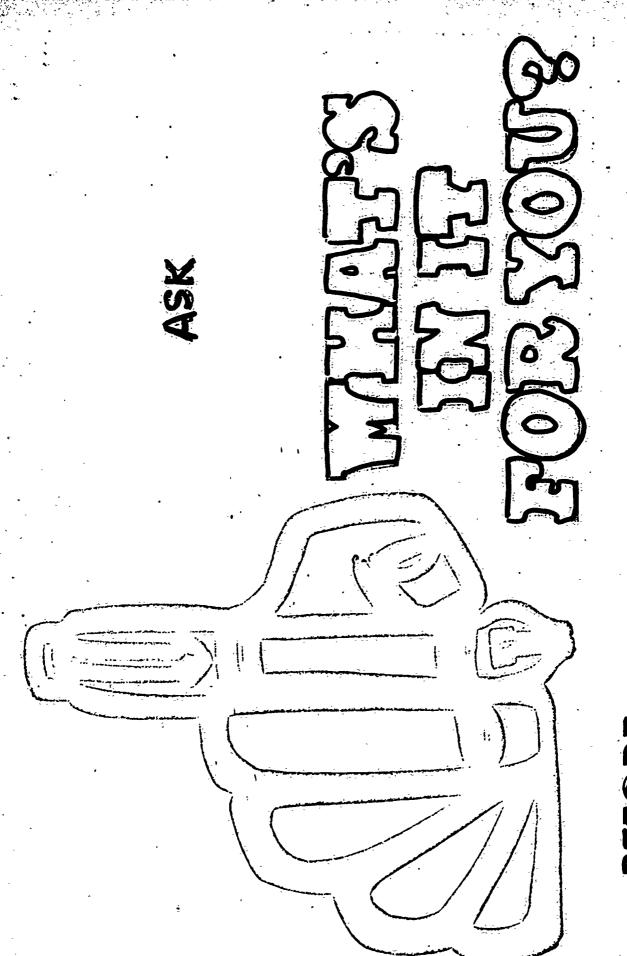
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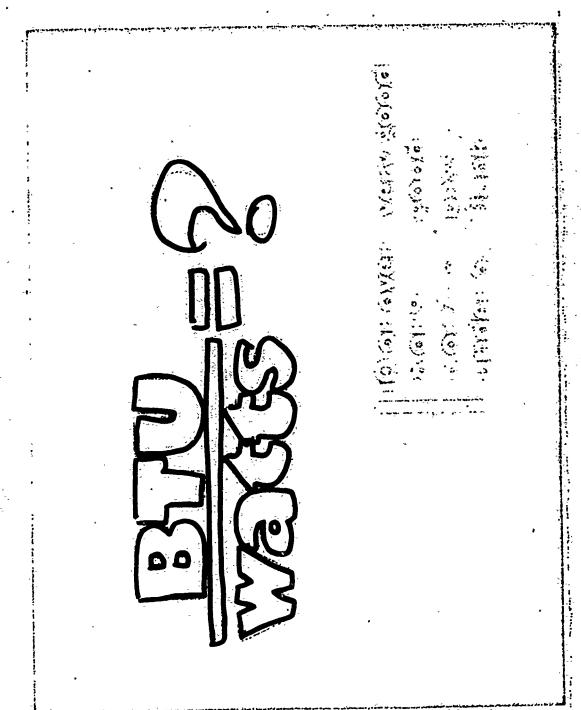


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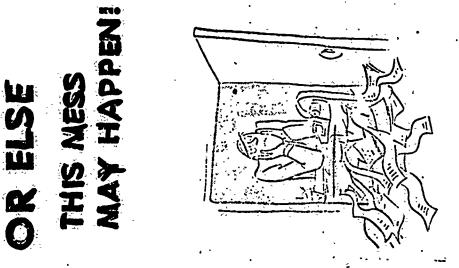
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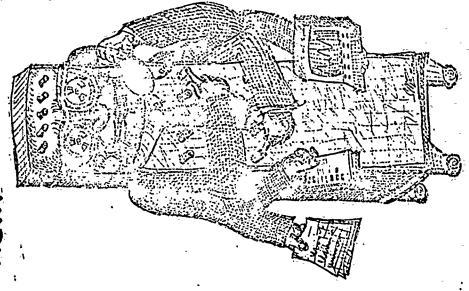
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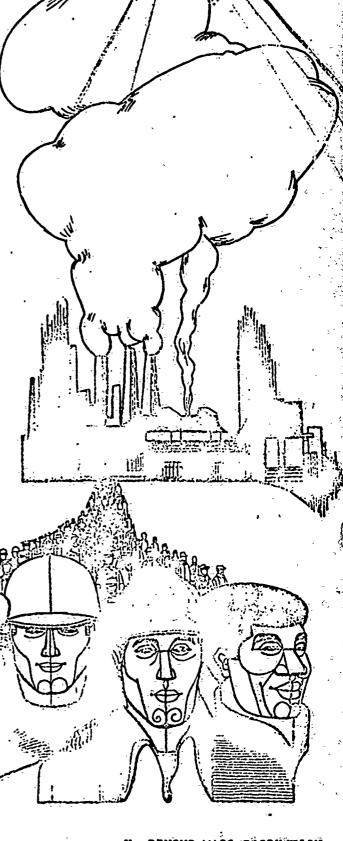
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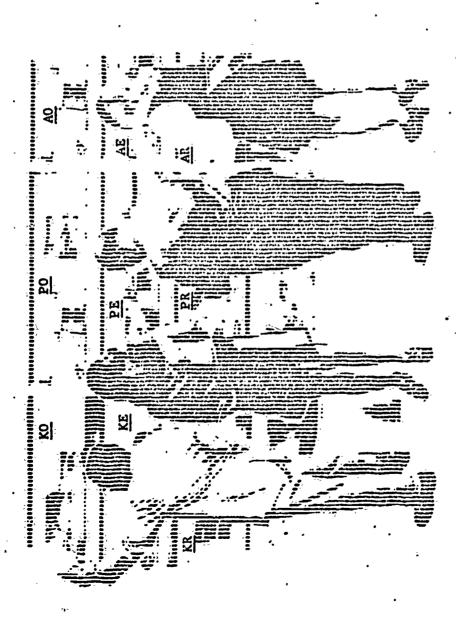
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THE WORKER A
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EACH OF THESE TEACHERS WILL ASSEMBLE A DIFFERENT LESSON FROM THESE MODULE COMPONENTS

MODULE COMPONENTS

KO - KNOWLEDGE OBJECTIVES
KE - KNOWLEDGE EVALUATIONS
KR - KNOWLEDGE RESOURCES

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PR - PERFORMANCE RESOURCES

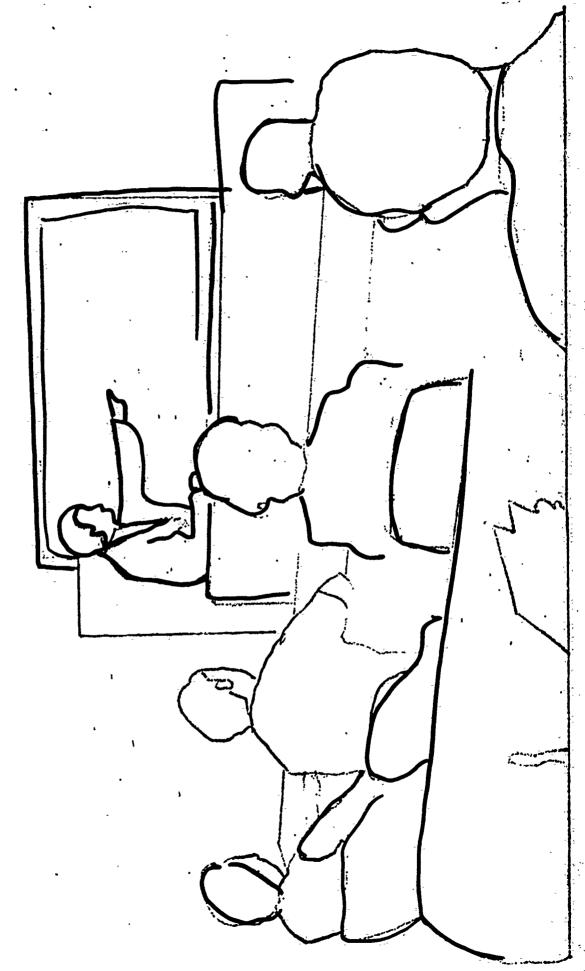
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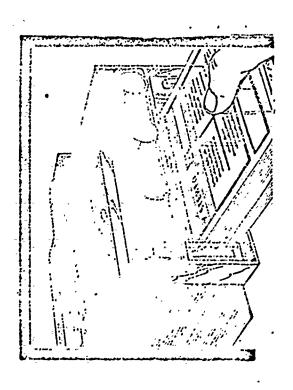
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Now you can personalize our moroughly modern course.

Writeable goals make it easy.







EACH MODULE MUST HAVE CLEAR GOALS THAT ARE SELF-STANDING AND COMPATIBLE

A MODULE IS
SELF-STANDING WHEN
IT CAN BE USED BY
ITSELF ALONE WITHOUT THE
PHYSICAL PRESENCE OF
A TEACHER

A MODULE IS
COMPATIBLE WHEN
IT CAN BE USED BY A NUMBE
OF DIFFERENT LEARNERS IN A
VARIETY OF CIRCUMSTANCES
BOTH INSIDE AND OUTSIDE
THE SCHOOL

LEARNERS CAN THEN BUILD A WIDE VARIETY OF careers with the Modules they master

THE MODULE GAME

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NINE CHECKS MEANS

A BALANCED MODULE HAS A LITTLE BIT OF EACH COMPONENT

